

**RESOLUTION NO. RS2018-1470** (RHOTEN) – This resolution would authorize the Department of Law to settle the personal injury claim of Rick Sandler against the Metropolitan Government in the amount of \$24,500.

On November 22, 2017, Mr. Sandler was traveling eastbound on Graybar Lane approaching the intersection of Lealand Lane. A Metro refuse truck was also traveling eastbound on Graybar Lane and made a left turn onto Lealand Lane. The Metro refuse truck stopped and began backing up, striking Mr. Sandler's vehicle. Mr. Sandler's vehicle was deemed a total loss, and a settlement of \$7,070.47 was previously paid to his insurance company.

On November 24, 2017, Mr. Sandler sought treatment for head, neck, back, hip, and leg pain. He was diagnosed with back and neck strains and continued treatment at a chiropractor. He has agreed to accept a total of \$24,500 in full settlement of this case, based upon \$16,267.47 for reimbursement of his medical expenses, plus \$8,232.53 for pain and suffering.

The Department of Law recommends settlement of this claim for \$24,500.

Disciplinary action against the employee consisted of a written reprimand.

*Fiscal Note: This \$24,500 settlement would be the fifteenth payment from the Self-Insured Liability Fund in FY19 for a cumulative total of \$785,775. The fund balance would be \$4,750,400 after this payment.*